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1. RECENT NEWS REPORTS SUGGEST THAT IRAQ'S 1978 SULPHUR EXPORTS MAY REACH ONLY 600,000 TONS, A REDUCTION FROM EARLIER ESTIMATES OF ABOUT 700,000 TONS. SINCE REFTEL REPORT OF BAGLADESH'S PURCHASE OF 20,000 TONS, ONLY ONE OTHER PURCHASE (OF 100,000 TONS BY CHINA) HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED; HOWEVER, USINT BELIEVES THAT A NUMBER OF OTHER CONTRACTS HAVE BEEN CONCLUDED BUT NOT YET MADE PUBLIC. INDIA, WHICH PURCHASES ABOUT 100,000 TONS A YEAR, MAY BE NEGOTIATING A PURCHASE.

2. ALMOST ALL OF SULPHUR PRODUCED IN IRAQ'S MISHRAQ FIELD IS CURRENTLY EARMARKED FOR EXPORT. LOCAL NEEDS ARE MET BY 120,000 TONS EXTRACTED ANNUALLY FROM PETROLEUM-ASSOCIATED GAS IN THE KURKURK OILFIELDS. LOCAL CONSUMPTION OF SULPHUR SHOULD RISE APPRECIABLY WHEN NEW REFINERIES AND THE PHOSPHATIC FERTILIZER COMPLEX AT AL-QAIM COME ON STREAM.

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